

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

KAREN A. RUYBAL,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	CA 5-1529
	)	
ECHOSPHERE, L.L.C.,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

ORDER

AND NOW, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2005, the following deadlines are set for the above-captioned matter:

**1. Initial Rule 16 Scheduling Conference**

An Initial Rule 16 Scheduling Conference is scheduled for January 18, 2006

at 11:30 AM in Suite 3280, Third Floor, U.S. Post Office and Courthouse Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. All counsel and unrepresented parties shall bring their calenders to the conference for scheduling purposes. The parties should be prepared to discuss settlement.

**2. Rule 26(f) Conference**

Pursuant to the Rule 26(f), the parties must confer to consider the nature and basis of their claims and defenses and the possibilities for a prompt settlement or resolution of the case and to make or arrange for the disclosures required by the Rule 26(a)(1) on or before December 19, 2005.

**3. Rule 26(f) Report**

The parties shall confer as necessary and file with the Clerk of Court a report within twenty one (21) days after the Rule 26(f) Conference. **(The form to be used for the Rule 26(f) report may be found in the Local Rules at Appendix B.)**

**4. Motion to Dismiss**

The Response to the Motion to Dismiss shall be filed on or before N/A.

**5. Position Letters**

At least three (3) business days prior to all conferences (case management, settlement, or pre-trial), counsel for every party shall submit a position letter to this Court. The position letter shall set forth the following: (a) A brief recitation of the facts; (b) A discussion of your party's strengths and weaknesses; and (3) Your party's settlement posture. To ensure candor, the position letters are not to be filed nor shared with opposing counsel, but rather, are to be faxed directly to this Court's Chambers at (412)208-7357. All position letters will be kept confidential.

S/Donetta W. Ambrose

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Donetta W. Ambrose  
Chief United States District Judge

cc: All Counsel of Record